

## HES 4<sup>th</sup> graders bring Mexican Bingo to Terrace



Fourth graders from Heppner Elementary School visited the residents of Willow Creek Terrace in early March to share a game of Mexican Bingo with them. The difference between regular and Mexican bingo is the Mexican bingo uses pictures, which also helps the students apply their vocabulary to the pictures.

## St. Patrick's Senior Center news

St. Patrick's Catholic Church members are volunteer servers for the March 30 noon meal at St. Patrick's Senior Center. The menu is fish and chips, parslid potatoes, pea salad, whole wheat rolls and banana cream pie.

Also on March 30, many volunteers will attend the annual recognition luncheon, held this year at the Port of Morrow conference building. The bus will be at the Heppner Center at 10:45 a.m. In addition to awards of service, there are entertainment features planned as well.

The scrambled egg breakfast and potato soup luncheon were well attended on St. Paddy's weekend. Steady streams of people made their way in and out from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. and after on Saturday. The Center appreciated the patronage of natives and visitors alike to make the event as successful as it is.

File of Life Packets were given out last week at the meal site. These magnetic envelopes, attached on refrigerator doors have medical information useful for emergency medical persons

### Births

**Boyd Lee Davis-** a son, Boyd Lee, was born March 7, 2005 at Good Shepherd Medical Center in Hermiston to Rebecca and Boyd Davis of Irrigon.

**Melanie Rose Snyder-** a daughter, Melanie Rose, was born March 8, 2005, at St. Anthony's Hospital in Pendleton to Amy Gray and Jacob Snyder of Boardman.

**Lewkus Scott Burrigh-** a son, Lewkus Scott, was born March 8, 2005, at Good Shepherd Medical Center in Hermiston to Kemmery Burrigh of Ione.

who might be called in case of a fall or other serious situations. These are free for seniors. For others there is a small charge. Sheila Piper, coordinator, will assist in filling out the forms. Pencil is recommended, so changes in information can be made easily.

## NRCS to hold local sessions on Conservation Security Program

Top conservation stewards in Oregon's Willow and Umatilla Watersheds now have the opportunity to sign-up for USDA's new Conservation Security Program March 28 through May 27, according to USDA Secretary Mike Johanns.

The Conservation Security Program, or CSP, is a voluntary program that financially rewards private land managers who are actively conserving natural resources at the highest levels. The Willow watershed in Oregon was selected as one of the nation's 220 priority watersheds for this spring's CSP sign-up.

"Oregon's leading conservation farmers and ranchers have been protecting our soil and water resources for years," says Oregon State Conservationist Bob Graham. "Now they will be rewarded for that stewardship and will become the models for future CSP participants. It's a bright new day for conservation and I'm delighted we're a part of this sign-up."

Producers who have a current CSP contract are

not eligible for this sign-up.

CSP is open to eligible private land managers in the Willow and Umatilla Watersheds. Individuals with the majority of their land inside the watershed boundary have met the first criteria for CSP eligibility. Interested applicants should plan to attend one of the informational meetings (see list below) for additional details about CSP and producer eligibility requirements.

The meetings will cover the questions: What is CSP; Who is eligible for CSP; How can I apply for the program; What are the benefits of CSP; and What are the requirements of CSP?

Those interested in participating will need to fill out a self-assessment, which will be available at the informational meetings and can be found at [www.or.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.or.nrcs.usda.gov) (click on Conservation Security Program.)

Over the next several years, top conservation farmers and ranchers in Oregon will have the opportunity to apply for CSP

as their watersheds are selected for a sign-up. Land in the Willow and Umatilla Watershed may not be eligible again for up to eight years, so attending an informational meeting is important for those interested in CSP.

CSP is a voluntary program that supports ongoing conservation stewardship of agricultural working lands and enhances the condition of America's natural resources. Additional information on CSP, can be found at [www.or.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.or.nrcs.usda.gov).

CSP informational meetings for the Willow Watershed will be held: March 29-Ione, Ione Grange Hall, 1 p.m.; March 31-Heppner, St. Patrick's Parish Hall, 7 p.m.; April 5- Ione, Ione Grange Hall, 7 p.m.; April 7- Heppner, St. Patrick's Parish Hall, 1 p.m.; and April 21- Heppner, St. Patrick's Parish Hall, 7 p.m.

Sponsors include: Bank of Eastern Oregon, Morrow County Grain Growers, Morrow Soil and Water Conservation District, Morrow County Wheat Growers and Morrow County Livestock Growers Association.

## HOMES & PROPERTIES -- FOR SALE --

**7-unit apartment complex**

6-plex with one bedroom apartments; has attached manager's home with place, in garage. Has good parking. Two out-storage buildings and city water.

**\$150,000**

**3 bedroom home in Ione**

3 bedroom, 2 bath (one with shower and garden tub). Newer manufactured home on a foundation. Oak cabinets and many upgrades, including underground sprinklers and 26x24 double garage/shop on 1.72 acres.

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**Restaurant and Bakery**

Drive-In Restaurant and Bakery in Heppner. Includes 3 bedroom, 2 bath home, large shop, extra lot and car wash (needs repairs). Live in the home and run the business!

**\$295,000**

**2 bedroom, 1 bath home**

2 bedroom, 1 bath home in Heppner with propane heat, new cabinets in the kitchen and built-in air. Big 38'x28' metal shop/garage in back.

**\$72,500**

**3 bedroom, 2 bath home**

3 bedroom, 2 bath home in Lexington. Carpet and hardwood floors, lots of storage. Owners have upgraded and taken excellent care of this home. Two swamp coolers, hot tub (runs excellently), two sheds and wood stove included in price. Large lot with carport. Must see this home to appreciate!

**\$85,000**

**5 bedroom, 3 bath home**

5 bedroom, 3 bath home with view of city. 2857 sq. ft. makes this a great home for kids! Yard, garage, hot tub.

**\$110,000**

**3 bedroom 2 bath home**

3 bedroom, 2 bath home with hardwood floors and a fenced yard.

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1470 square foot meeting hall that would make good church or meeting place. In Lexington.

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Home on double lot. Insulated shop with its own drive. Lots of storage. New lower price!

**\$89,000**

**3 bedroom in Lexington**

3 bedroom, 2 bath home on double lot. Garage and shop.

**\$85,000**

## New sewing business opens in Ione



Tonya Heideman works at installing a new zipper at Sew What, a business she and Marlene Pointer have opened in Ione.

Joining their forces and love of sewing, Marlene Pointer and Tonya Heideman have started a new business in Ione called Sew What. Sew What offers a variety of services including mending, alterations, garment construction, small-scale embroidery and ironing.

The business came about when Pointer called up Heideman, a longtime friend, and asked if she wanted to start a sewing business. Heideman thought it sounded like a great idea and agreed to join in the venture. Both thought that getting together and sewing was a lot better than sewing separately and talking on the phone, said Heideman.

After retiring from teaching at Ione Schools last year, Pointer was looking for a hobby and began to take sewing lessons. Pointer also had experience as a home ec

teacher at Ione and is an avid tatter. Heideman, who retired as secretary at the Gilliam County landfill, has sewn throughout the years for herself and her family; she also loves ironing and has brought that aspect to the business.

Even though they only opened two weeks ago, with their combined talents the duo has already received quite a few orders. "We are having a lot of fun," said Heideman. One of the great aspects of the business is that it is local, allowing residents to not have to travel to Hermiston or beyond for services.

Sew What is located in Suite 200 of the Wheatland Building on Main Street in Ione and is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Pointer and Heideman can be reached at 422-9000.

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